## FISCAL NOTE

# HB 230 - SB 260

February 26, 2007

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the Department of Health to implement a training program which instructs EMTs and EMT-Ps on how to recognize post traumatic stress syndrome.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

## Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Any changes to the current training curriculum of EMTs and EMT-Ps will not be significant.
- The current EMT and paramedic curriculum contains training recognition of acute, delayed stress, critical incident stress, and prolonged effects of stress.
- Recognition by EMS personnel would only indicate signs and symptoms of stress. A diagnosis of Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome and clinical care would be the responsibility of physicians and psychologists.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director